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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18TH, 1886.

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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
August 17. MENSZELIN, French str., 1,373 C. Brno, Yokohama 8th August, and Kobe 10th, Main and General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

August 17. ALWINE, German steamer, 400, P. Moos, Haiphong 14th August, General—A. R. MARTY.

August 17. DEUCAN, British steamer, 3,429, P. Casa, Bombay and Singapore 10th August, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

August 17. AMOV. British steamer, 814, R. Koller, Shanghai 11th August, General—SEIMSEN & Co.

August 17. GLENCOE, British steamer, 2,000, J. S. Hogg, London 8th July, and Singapore 12th August, General—JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co.

August 17. HAIVE, French steamer, "2,662, La Porte, Hamburg 17th June, and Singapore 11th August, General—RUSSELL & Co.

CLEARANCES.
AT THE HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE.
17TH AUGUST.

Pandora, Austro-Hung. str., for Singapore. Jacob Christensen, Norw. str., for Kuchinotan. McLurkin, Amr. ship for Cobh. Suez, British str., for Singapore.

DEPARTURES.

August 17. ANTON, German str., for Hoitow. FERNWOOD, British str., for Saigon. August 17. TIENTSIN, British str., for Swatow.

August 17. MARIN, German str., for Toulon.

August 17. COCKCHAFFER, British gunboat, for Nagasaki.

August 17. ACTIV, Danish str., for Haiphong.

August 17. VORWARTS, German str., for Helgoland.

August 17. PANDORA, Austro-Hung. str., for Trieste.

August 17. SUZ, British str., for Singapore.

August 17. JACOB CHRISTENSEN, Norw. str., for Kuchinotan.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.

Per Menszelin, str. from Yokohama, &c.—For Hongkong—Mr. Cuthbert and 2 Chinese, from Yokohama. From Kots—Major Walter Eddell. For Marseilles—Messrs. E. Ishida, E. Foukoutani, H. Nagura, K. Taniguchi and T. Yamamoto, from Yokohama.

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Englefield Columbus, by Vining.

Dixon Kemp's Manual of Yacht and Boat Sailing.

Payne's Business Letter Writer.

Webster's Condensed Dictionary.

Modern English and Japanese Conversations.

Lowell's Corea: the Land of the Morning Calm.

Morse's Japanese Houses and their Surroundings.

Dr. Foote's "Plain Home Talk."

Ruff's "Turf Guide" Spring Edition, 1886.

Mackie's Dollars & Sterling Exchange Tables, 2/3 to 3/4.

Henry's "Ling-Nam," travels in interior of China.

Templeton's Workshop Companion.

McLeod's Dynamics—Electric Machinery.

Ver's "Atlas of the World."

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ster and the Salt Commissioner, will be given, for the subscriber to hold. The wealthy citizens are asked to come forward and embrace this favourable offer, those who can afford it with their several tens of thousands and others with their thousands of dollars.

Unfortunately, like Didymus, the native capitalists are of a doubting turn of mind. They say that they would not mind lending the money of good security even at a small rate of interest, but they are convinced that they will see neither principal nor interest, and that the receipts would not be worth the paper they are written on.

TIENTSIN.

3rd August.

Heavy rains lately have caused deep floods in the river, and inundations are threatened, indeed a considerable area of the country between Tientsin and Tungchow is already under water. A great quantity of silk is brought down and the bottom of the river rising as fast as the surface, so that the steamers cannot reach the bend. One cannot wonder at the terrors caused by the Yellow River when a one-horse affair like the Peiho makes all attempts to restrain it within its banks.

Matters political are quiet at present, no foreign Minister or Admiral having recently passed through—*D. J. New Correspondent.*

OSAKA.

Just as business in Quibao showed symptoms of reviving after the stagnation that had continued since last year, cholera appeared and crushed our hopes. However, no common obstacle seems to check the ordinary progress of events, for all branches of trade and industry now exhibit signs of recovering their former prosperity.

Owing to the present dry weather the Oasaka rivers are very low, and the tidal waters run much faster than usual. The rice fields in the districts around the estuary of the Kiso River are especially subject to this kind of salt water, and the farmers fear that the young rice plants will be killed in consequence. Application has been made for permission to ward off the danger by constructing a dam at the corner of the Foreign Concession at Kawaguchi where the Dōgōwa branches off into the Ajikawa and Kiso-gawa.—*Higo News.*

YOKOHAMA.

A foreigner named Mitchell, proprietor of the Bishop's Hill Saloon, in Honmura road, died last night of cholera. Several other cases among Chinese and Japanese also took place in the foreign settlement on the 8th inst. The disease is most virulent in Matsukata and neighbouring towns. In Matsukata there were on the 8th inst. 13 cases. Cases are also reported from Ota-machi—*Gazette.*

We regret to record the death from cholera of Mr. Arthur John Lee, a clerk in the employment of Messrs. Walk, Hall & Co. Mr. Lee was seized very suddenly by illness on Monday evening, the 2nd inst., and was at once taken to his residence, where he died attended by Dr. Van der Heijden. In spite of all that could be done for him, he died the next morning at half past two o'clock. Mr. Lee was only twenty years of age, and of French extraction, and had not been long in Yokohama, whither he came from Hongkong.

He broke out about 2 am on the 31st ult. in the storeroom of a box-maker named Higashimura, No. 14, Yobidashi, Nichome, in the district of Minato, adjoining the Yokohama Police Station. It is said that the box-makers here quickly spread and destroyed twenty houses—chiefly small dwellings—in the street where it had originated. A light-ning-bolt breeze blew the flames rapidly across in the direction of Isazaki-cho, on which side as late as twenty-three houses were destroyed, including the Tentaza, the oldest and one of the most popular theatres in the district. The store in which the fire originated was situated in a building erected after the workers' house in the evening, and no suspicion is entertained of incendiarism. The police watchmen observed numbers of people playing with fire-crackers near the store during the evening, and it is believed that a lighted fragment of one of these became the fire. The steamer from the Yokohama Police Station and other marine engines were on the spot promptly on the alarm, and the fire was soon being extinguished. The difficulty we experienced in getting water. The heat was so intense, however, that the firemen could hardly get close enough to play their hose on the flames.

A general meeting of the shareholders of the Nippon Railway Company was held on the 30th ult., when a report of the working of the company for the first half of the year was submitted, and a statement of accounts for the period up to the 31st December was approved. According to the report in question, the work of constructing a temporary iron bridge across the Shinsengawa and the extension of the bridge over the Kasugawa were completed in the first division of the company's line during the half-year under review. In the second division, the iron bridge over the Tone and the station of Kurihara were completed. The Utsunomiya-Shinkawa line was finished as far as the station of Kurihara. In the third division, the survey of the Saitama-Einkuchi line was completed, and that of Shirkawa-Fukushima was commenced. The total traffic receipts for the half year show an increase of 23 per cent in passenger fares and of 67 per cent in freight, when compared with the preceding half year. The total sum was over 24,400,000 yen, and the average per capita was 159,100. The goods transports amounted to 36,929,600 lbs., and the freight to yen 69,600. The gross receipts of the company, comprising the above mentioned sum and miscellaneous items amounting to yen 52,600, leave a net profit of yen 147,517 after paying the working expenses, less yen 118,000. The net profits, which bear a proportion of 6-6-10ths per cent, to the company, represent the first subsidy from the Government, representing 8-2-10ths per cent. A dividend of 8 per cent, per annum has therefore, been declared for the half-year in question.—*Japan Mail.*

AFFAIRS IN KOREA.

The Japan Gazette translates the following letter from the *Yui Chiyo:*

Seoul, 14th July.

On the 23rd June last, I, along with my wife, two daughters, the wife of my son, and grandchild, six in all, were barged to Pusan fu. They were the family of a certain Korean soldier, who took part in the conspiracy of Kim-Gyok-Kin in December of 1884, and who was exonerated last Spring, his life and head being severed from the trunk of his body. The writer incidentally referred to the number of persons killed and persecuted in the course of 1882 and 1884. A few days ago, he was informed that some Korean officials on the subject had been punished just as I had, and was by them informed that the correct numbers were as follows:

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This gives a total of 6,300, but the writer thinks the number much under-rated, for he himself estimated the number of killed in the outrages of 1882 about 4,000, before the outrages of 1884 broke out. When therefore, the persons killed on the latter occasion and also those ex-

ecuted in consequence of Tai-In-Kun's return from China for the purpose of depriving him of his old friends and so as to make his powerless, are added to this number, it will become still larger than the figure given. The whole of the inhabitants of all parts at the outskirts of the Great Eastern Gate of the city, who were butchered by Chinese soldiers, have also to be counted. This is not all. About 200 persons are now in prison waiting execution. The thought of all this cruelty is enough to make one shudder.

THE NEW EZRA HOSPITAL AT CALCUTTA.

CEREMONY OF LAYING THE FOUNDATION STONE.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal performed the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the new hospital for Jews, in Colcotullah Street, at 6.30 p.m. on the 19th July, in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering.

The ceremony took place under a large shamiana which had been erected on the vacant spot to the north of the Medical College Hospital upon which the new building is to be erected. On His Honour and Lady Thompson's arrival on the ground, they were met by the Surgeon-General, Dr. Cole, the Principal and other members attached to the General Hospital, and leading members of the Jewish community and others.

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The ceremony of laying the foundation stone, on which the new Ezra Hospital is to be erected, will be on the 19th July, in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering.

The ceremony took place under a large shamiana which had been erected on the vacant

spot to the north of the Medical College Hospital upon which the new building is to be erected.

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